

WHEREAS the Woodmongers and Retailers in Fuel do pretend, That they carry Coals for 3 s. per Chaldron, and that the Carrmen will not carry them under 4 s. per Chaldron.

To this the Carrmen do say, that they are ready to carry them to any place within the Gates at 2 s. per Chaldron, and to any place without the Gates to the Barrs at 2 s. 4 d. per Chaldron; and to carry Faggots and Billets to any place within the Gates for 1 s. per Load, and to any place without the Gates to the Barrs for 1 s. 2 d. per Load: Every Load to contain 100 Faggots or Billets; and to take their Carriage-Monies of the Customer where they are delivered, as they do of any Merchant or Shopkeeper for the Carriage of any other Goods.

Now the Reason why the Woodmongers and Retailers in Fuel, pretend to carry the Coals at 3 s. per Chaldron, is because of the Ingrain they have, which is One and Twenty to the Score, besides the short Measure they send out. And if Coals be at 20 s. per Chaldron, it will be made apparent, according to the Importation, that by their short Measures, whereof they have been sufficiently convicted, the City will be exacted upon, or defrauded of, 16000 l. per annum. So that whereas they pretend to save the City 5000 l. per annum in Carriage, the City will certainly be cheated of 11000 l. per annum.

The Carrmen will undertake to provide at their own Charge a sufficient Number of Carts with Seacoal Meaters, Sacks and Bushel as the Law directs, to carry out the Woodmongers Coals at the Rates abovementioned, and duly to attend their Wharfs at all seasonable times, with such Number of Carts as shall be sufficient to serve each Wharf.

Further the Carrmen do say, That if any Citizen or Inhabitant will please to buy their Coals in the Pool, the Carrmen will be ready to carry them at the Rates abovementioned.

To the Right Worshipful the Governours of Christ's-Hospital.

WE whose Names are subscribed, Free Carmen of London, did this Day walk through Thames-street, and other parts of the City; and about the Hours of Ten and Eleven in the Morning we found 214 Carts plying for Work, but stood still, and had no Employment, to the great Annoyance and Obstruction of the publick Passages and Passengers, walking to, and thro, in these parts. And this we are ready to justify, this 25th day of October, 1694.

Tho. Raven,
Roger Benford,
Tho Stone,
Ralph Sears,
James Bingham,
Edward Champ,
Richard Avery.